Why Are You Sleeping? Mark 14:32-42

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I. A walk in the garden. *Mark* 14:32-34 If it was ______ for Jesus to spend time with the Father as He

prayed for strength and guidance, what does that teach us? John 5:30

• Dependence seems to be a sign of weakness to people, but dependence on the Lord is the ultimate sign of .

The name Gethsemane means ______ and it was a very remote, walled, garden.

- In the second Garden, Jesus ______ temptation by yielding to the will of God the Father. *Hebrews 5:8*
- II. If possible, take the cup from Me. Mark 14:35-36

For the very first time in all eternity from eons past, Jesus and the Father would have ______ fellowship and would become separated, because the Father cannot look upon sin. *Matthew* 27:46

- When we are fully _______ to the Lord, our response to trials and tribulations in our life will be, "Nevertheless, not my will, but yours, be done", as well.
- III. Sleeping instead of praying. Mark 14:37-42

As Jesus longed for friendship and fellowship from the Disciples to help relieve the ______, He received no relief from His followers.

Psalm 69:20-21

 "God allows Disruptive moments in our lives that we almost always question or ______ because they are painful, unanticipated, misunderstood, and often, not optional." (Dr. David Jeremiah)

Jesus did not receive the answer He initially requested, (*let this cup pass from me*) but, instead the Father gave Him ______ as the answer to be able to endure. *Luke 22:41-43*

- Once Jesus received strength from the Father, He was ready to ______ the hour at hand and so He went out to meet His betrayers.
- **IV.** Practical Application.

Jesus was crushed as an Olive, and the Oil represents the _____

_____ which He freely gives. Jesus promised His followers the Holy Spirit as He told them He was going back to heaven. *John 16:5-7*

Small Group Discussion

Looking back at your notes from this week's sermon, was there anything that particularly caught your attention, challenged, or confused you?

- Gethsemane is a garden at the foot of the Mount of Olives, where Jesus went to pray. What does the word Gethsemane mean in English? What is the significance of that name? John 16:5-7, 2 Corinthians 4:8-9, Luke 22:44, Isaiah 53:4-5, Psalm 69:20-21, 2 Corinthians 5:21, Matthew 27:46
- Read Mark 14:33-34. Who did Jesus take with Him to pray, and how did He feel? What did Jesus ask them to do while He prayed?
 Philippians 4:6-7, 1 Chronicles 16:11, Ephesians 6:18
- Discuss each one of the topics that happened in the same garden and how we overcome similar experiences in our walk. How do we overcome these trials?
 Proverbs 3:5-6, Psalm 73:26, Psalm. 121:3, John 15:5
- **4.** Read *Mark 14:35.* What did Jesus do before praying to the Father? What request did He make of the Father?
- **5.** Read *Mark 14:37-38.* When Jesus returned from praying, what were the disciples doing? What did He ask them to do, and what warning did He give them?
- 6. Read *Mark 14:39.* Jesus went off to pray a second time. *What was His second prayer?*
- 7. Read *Mark 14:40.* What were the disciples doing the second time Jesus returned to them? What did Jesus do this time?
- **8.** Discuss the practical application of the sermon.